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CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 24 through February 28, 2009

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at 11 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 160, District of Columbia House Voting Rights Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon; to be followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Hilda L. Solis, of California, to be Secretary of Labor.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: February 25, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be Chairman and Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Armed Services: February 25, to hold closed hearings on Afghanistan and Pakistan, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

February 26, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine strategic options for the way ahead in Afghanistan and Pakistan, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: February 24, to hold hearings to examine the semiannual monetary policy report to the Congress, 10 a.m., SH-216.

February 26, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Administration's Homeowner Affordability and Stability Plan, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: February 26, to hold hearings to examine consumer protection and the credit crisis, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: February 26, to hold hearings to examine recommendations for reducing energy consumption in buildings through improved implementation of authorized Department of Energy (DOE) programs and through other innovative Federal energy efficiency policies and programs, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: February 25, to hold hearings to examine an update on the latest global warming science, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: February 25, to hold hearings to examine scoring health care reform, focusing on Congressional Budget Office's (CBO) budget options, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: February 24, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian

Affairs, to hold hearings to examine recent developments in Sri Lanka, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

February 26, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine engaging with Muslim communities around the world, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: February 24, to hold hearings to examine addressing underinsurance in national health reform, 10 a.m., SD-430.

February 26, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine integrative care, focusing on a pathway to a healthier nation, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: February 26, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine protecting public and animal health, focusing on homeland security and the Federal veterinarian workforce, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: February 26, to hold an oversight hearing to examine youth suicide in Indian country, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: February 24, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine the Ticketmaster/Live Nation merger, focusing on consumers and the concert business, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

February 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine ensuring television carriage in the digital age, 10 a.m., SD-226.

February 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of David S. Kris, of Maryland, and Dawn Elizabeth Johnsen, of Indiana, both to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 2 p.m., SD-226.

February 26, Full Committee, organizational Business meeting to consider committee's rules of procedure for the 111th Congress; S. 386, to improve enforcement of mortgage fraud, securities fraud, financial institution fraud, and other frauds related to Federal assistance and relief programs, for the recovery of funds lost to these frauds, S. 49, to help Federal prosecutors and investigators combat public corruption by strengthening and clarifying the law, S. 146, to amend the Federal antitrust laws to provide expanded coverage and to eliminate exemptions from such laws that are contrary to the public interest with respect to railroads, and the nominations of David W. Ogden, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Elena Kagan, of Massachusetts, to be Solicitor General of the United States, and Thomas John Perrelli, of Virginia, to be Associate Attorney General, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: February 24, to hold joint hearings to examine the legislative presentation of the Disabled American Veterans, 2 p.m., 345 Cannon Building.

February 26, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine caring for veterans in rural areas, 10 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: February 24, closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.